



MEDIA ADVISORY

Louisiana Emergency Medical Services for Children

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Shreveport Fire Department presented EMS for Children Krewe of the Year Award

WHAT: Governor John Bel Edwards, on behalf of the Louisiana Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) program, will present Shreveport Fire Department Crew members with the EMS for Children Kid's Krewe of the Year Award. This award is being given in honor of EMS for Children Day, which is May 18, 2022. The award is granted to an EMS crew who has displayed outstanding care for a child in an emergency medical or trauma event, demonstrated exceptional effort in the development of pediatric training or quality improvement programs, or was instrumental in planning and conducting creative injury prevention programs. The Shreveport Fire and EMS crews are being recognized as pediatric champions for their heroic actions during a house fire involving a family of 7 and successful resuscitation of a child during that event.

WHEN: Tuesday, May 17th, 2022
2:00pm

WHERE: Louisiana State Capitol Press Room, Baton Rouge

WHO: Governor John Bel Edwards
Amanda Perry, Clinical Systems' Team Lead, Bureau of Family Health
Members of Shreveport Fire Department leadership and award recipients
Members of the Louisiana EMSC Advisory Board, Louisiana Bureau of Family Health Leadership, families

WHY: **Governor Edwards signed a Proclamation recognizing May 18, 2022 as EMS for Children Day in Louisiana.** In Louisiana and nationally, the EMSC program places a spotlight on the delivery of high-quality emergency medical care for

children, focusing on the unique needs of critically ill or injured pediatric patients and the challenges faced by EMS and emergency department professionals in meeting those needs.

About the Louisiana EMS for Children Program

The Louisiana EMSC Program operates within the Louisiana Department of Health, Bureau of Family Health. Every conversation, idea, and project that Louisiana's EMSC program leads seeks to reduce pediatric morbidity and mortality rates caused by acute illnesses and injuries.

Louisiana's EMSC program serves all pediatric patients who utilize the emergency healthcare system. EMSC performs gap analyses and informs strategic process improvements in EMS agencies and emergency departments to improve pediatric emergency healthcare across Louisiana.